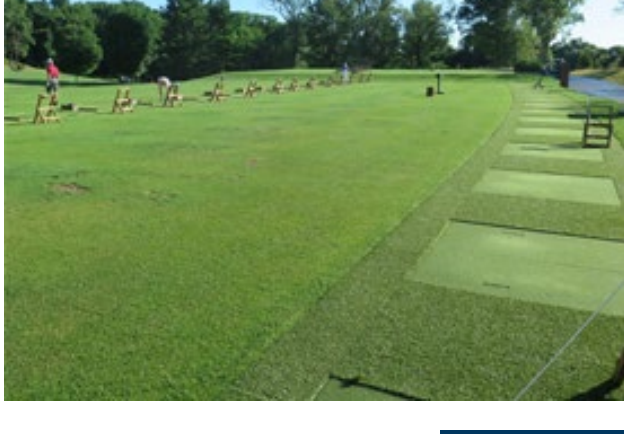


Practice Tees That Please

By [David Oatis](#) and [Larry Gilhuly](#)



The intensive use that most practice tees receive make them one of the most difficult areas to maintain on a golf course. Unfortunately, many golf courses do not have the space or resources to build a practice tee that is large enough to fully meet their needs. As a result, the management program becomes even more critical. The techniques described in this article will help superintendents get the best possible performance from a practice tee throughout the year.

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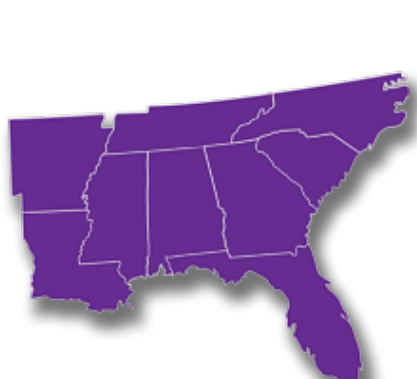
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